

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

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In re application of: Gary W. Elko, Robert A. Kubli, and Jens M. Meyer

Serial No.: 10/500,938

Group No.: 2615

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For: Audio System Based on at Least Second-Order Eigenbeams

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

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- ☐ continuation
 - ☐ divisional
 - ☐ continuation-in-part

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form as confirmation that each of the documents has been considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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